

Worksheet

The license agent will ask for the following information when you apply:

1. Michigan resident?	If no, you are not eligible to apply.
2. Your birth date?	__ __ / __ __ / __ __ __ __
3. Customer ID number?	Michigan driver license, state of Michigan ID card or DNRE Sportcard
4. Item type?	170 - Elk Resident Application
5. The DNRE issues two types of elk hunting licenses:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Any-elk - valid for taking either a bull elk or an antlerless elk.Antlerless-only - valid for taking an antlerless elk only.	
Based on your hunting preferences, select ONE of the following on your application:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Antlerless OR Bull	Eligible for an any-elk license; if not selected, will be included in drawing for antlerless-only license.
<input type="checkbox"/> Bull Only	Eligible for an any-elk license ONLY; (will not be included in drawing for antlerless-only license)
<input type="checkbox"/> Chance Only	Do not wish to hunt this year but would like to purchase a chance toward future drawings

Important:

- Selected hunters will be randomly assigned to a specific hunt area and hunt period. You may not select the season or elk management unit you wish to apply for.
- You may not apply for an elk license and purchase a “chance only” in the same year.

Ineligibility Periods for Elk License Recipients

- Persons who are issued an elk license are subject to an ineligibility period for future elk drawings.
- A person issued an antlerless-only elk license is ineligible to apply for, obtain or purchase an elk license for 10 years. For example, those issued an antlerless-only license in 2009 are ineligible from 2010 through 2019.
 - A person issued an any-elk license, which allows the taking of a bull elk, is ineligible to apply for, obtain or purchase a future elk license for the remainder of his or her life.
 - Ineligibility rules were changed in 2004. A person issued an any-elk license prior to 2004 is ineligible to apply for, obtain or purchase an elk license for 10 years.
 - The above ineligibility period does not apply to Pure Michigan Hunt winners.

Drawing results will be posted at www.michigan.gov/huntdrawings June 21.

The Department of Natural Resources and Environment is committed to the conservation, protection, management, and accessible use and enjoyment of the state's environment, natural resources, and related economic interests for current and future generations.

The Natural Resources Commission provides a strategic framework for the DNRE to effectively manage the State's natural resources. The NRC works closely with a broad cross-section of constituents to advise the DNRE on continuous improvement of resource management policy.

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www.michigan.gov/hunting
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The DNRE Operations Service Centers listed below are open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Baraga 427 US-41 North Baraga, MI 49908 (906) 353-6651	Southfield 26000 W. Eight Mile Road Southfield, MI 48034 (248) 359-9040	Plainwell 621 N. 10th Street Plainwell, MI 49080 (269) 685-6851
Bay City 3580 State Park Drive Bay City, MI 48706 (989) 684-9141	Marquette 1990 US-41 South Marquette, MI 49855 (906) 228-6561	Roscommon 1-75 & M-18 South 8717 N. Roscommon Road Roscommon, MI 48653 (989) 275-5151
Cadillac 8015 Mackinaw Trail Cadillac, MI 49601 (231) 775-9727	Newberry 5100 M-123 Newberry, MI 49868 (906) 293-5131	Rose Lake* 8562 E. Stoll Road East Lansing, MI 48823 (517) 641-4903 <small>*This is a field office</small>
Gaylord 1732 W. M-32 Gaylord, MI 49735 (989) 732-3541		

Thank you for purchasing a Michigan hunting license. Your hunting license dollars help restore and improve habitats for wildlife species, advance research on wildlife and wildlife-borne diseases, foster programs that help ensure access for public hunting, support hunter safety education and much more. We encourage you to keep hunting and to share your experiences with others. In doing so, you can do your part to keep our state's hunting heritage alive for future generations.



The Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act places an excise tax on firearms, handguns, ammunition and archery equipment. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service apportions these funds to state wildlife agencies to be used for wildlife management, research, habitat acquisition, game area and shooting range development and hunter education. Since its inception in 1937, Michigan's share of the Wildlife Restoration funds has reached almost \$150 million.

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For information or assistance on this publication, contact the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment, P.O. Box 30444, Lansing, MI 48909-7944. This publication is available in alternate formats upon request.

Application Information

Locations

- You may apply:
 - At any authorized license agent
 - At DNRE Operations Service Centers
 - Online at www.michigan.gov/huntdrawings

Requirements

- You must meet all requirements to lawfully hunt in the current-year elk seasons to be eligible to apply for an elk license or chance only.
- Only eligible Michigan residents may apply for an elk hunting license. This includes qualified military personnel and full-time students attending a Michigan college or university who reside in the state during the school year.
- It costs \$4 to apply.
- To apply, you will need one of the following forms of identification:
 - Valid Michigan driver license
 - State of Michigan ID card (issued by the Secretary of State)
 - DNRE Sportcard (issued through license agents or at www.michigan.gov/huntdrawings)
- Keep your mailing address up to date with the Secretary of State.
- You must be at least 12 years old by August 31 to apply. **Note: You must be at least 14 years old to hunt with a firearm on public land.**

Applicant Responsibilities

- When you apply, you are responsible for:
 - Submitting a single application. Applicants who apply more than once or falsify information will be ineligible for the drawing.
 - Checking that your information was entered correctly by the agent. An incorrect customer ID or birth date will cause you to become ineligible for a license.
 - Ensuring that you receive a DNRE receipt that clearly states your customer ID. **(Do not accept a DNRE receipt that is not legible.)**
 - Retaining your DNRE receipt as proof that you applied.
 - IMPORTANT: It is your responsibility to check your application receipt for accuracy.**

For application assistance, call 517-373-1263.

Successful Applicants

- If you are selected in the drawing, you will be notified by mail if there is a valid mailing address.
- Successful applicants will be notified of the type of license they will be issued, their assigned hunt period and elk management unit before they must purchase a license.
- The type of license, hunt period or elk management unit assigned cannot be changed.
- You must purchase your elk hunting license authorization (license no. 171) prior to the mandatory elk hunt orientation class. The cost of this license is \$100 and may be purchased from any license agent or online at www.michigan.gov/huntdrawings.
- All licenses must be signed to be valid. Your signature on the license certifies that you meet applicable residency and hunter safety requirements to purchase a Michigan hunting license.
- Make sure the information on your license is accurate.
- Licenses may not be altered or transferred.

2010 MICHIGAN ELK HUNTING DIGEST

Application Period May 1–June 1, 2010
Apply online at www.michigan.gov/huntdrawings



Important Changes

- Past elk units D and E have been merged to create new unit F.
- Commercial guides on state land must receive a Use Permit.

Important Reminders

- Selected hunters will be randomly assigned to a specific hunt area and hunt period.
- The drawing is a random weighted lottery.
- You may not apply for an elk license and purchase a “chance only” in the same year.



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Weighted Lottery for Elk Hunting Licenses

Hunters are selected for a Michigan elk hunting license using a random weighted lottery system that began in 2003. In this system, hunters receive one additional “chance” in future drawings each year they apply for an elk license and are unsuccessful in the drawing.

Applicants have the option to purchase a “chance only” instead of applying for a license. You may not apply for an elk license and purchase a chance only in the same year. **A person may accumulate only one chance per year.**

A weighted lottery provides some advantage to those individuals that are persistent in applying, while still providing an opportunity to all applicants, even those who are applying for the first time. It is possible for first-time applicants to be successful in any drawing. **In addition, there is no guarantee of being drawn in a weighted lottery regardless of the number of chances accumulated.**

The chance standing of any applicant who is successful in the elk drawing will return to zero chances after the drawing.

Persons who fail to apply, or are ineligible to apply, for an elk license for three consecutive years will lose their accumulated chances.

Chances are tracked using your customer ID (driver license or DNRE Sportcard). Chances may not be transferred to or combined with another person’s chances. Applicants may check their total chances at www.michigan.gov/huntdrawings.

Note: If you are using a different ID to apply this year, call 517-373-1263 to move your previous chances to your new ID. Any previous chances not moved to your new ID by June 1 will not be considered in the drawing.

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Mandatory Elk Hunt Orientation

Successful applicants must attend a half-day training session near the elk hunt area on the day before their scheduled hunt. The location of the sessions will be provided to successful applicants. The training session will cover hunter safety, elk behavior, marksmanship, carcass handling, hunting rules and regulations, hunting tips and recommended hunt locations. Following the session, hunters will be issued their licenses, along with materials and information to help their efforts afield. Expect elk hunting to be challenging. Preseason scouting is important.

2010 Open Seasons and Hunter Quotas

Hunt Period	Season Dates	Elk Management Unit(s) (Public and Private Land)	Any-Elk Licenses	Antlerless-Only Licenses
1	Aug. 31–Sept. 3 and Sept. 24-27	L	20	40
2	Oct. 16-20	L	20	40
3	Dec. 4-12	A, B, C, F, X	35	75
4	Jan. 12-16, 2011	This hunt period will be held only if additional harvest is needed to achieve population management goals after hunt periods 1-3.		

Selected hunters will be randomly assigned to a specific hunt area and hunt period. You may not select the season or elk management unit you wish to apply for. See the maps below for the location of elk management units.

Elk License Opportunity for Youth and Hunters with an Advanced Illness

Individuals who are successful in the elk license drawing may transfer their drawing success to an unsuccessful youth applicant, or to a person with an advanced illness.*

- Successful applicants who wish to transfer their drawing success must submit a transfer request form at least two weeks prior to the hunt. Forms are available at www.michigan.gov/huntdrawings.
- Youth hunters age 12-16 are eligible to receive a transfer if they were unsuccessful applicants in the current year’s drawing.
- Individuals with an advanced illness must complete the Physician Certification of Advanced Illness form to certify their eligibility for a transfer. The form is available at www.michigan.gov/huntdrawings.
- Successful applicants may transfer their drawing success to a specific individual, or may donate their hunt to individuals on the Wildlife Division transfer waiting list. A donated hunt will be processed only if an eligible recipient is available to accept the particular hunt that has been donated. **Those interested in receiving a donated hunt must register online at www.michigan.gov/huntdrawings by July 1.**
- Elk chances will be reset to zero for the transfer recipient and for the successful applicant donating the hunt. Upon purchase of the hunting license, the recipient will be ineligible for a future elk license per the timeframes noted in this guide. The donor’s eligibility for future elk drawings will be retained.
- It is unlawful to transfer drawing success for a fee, or transfer drawing success and then guide that person for a fee.

**Advanced illness is a medical condition that must be diagnosed and certified by a physician. Advanced illness is defined by the Public Health Code, Act 368 of 1978 [MCL 333.5653]. See www.legislature.mi.gov.*

Bovine Tuberculosis and Michigan’s Elk

Like white-tailed deer, elk are susceptible to bovine tuberculosis (TB). Because the elk range lies within an area shared by TB-infected deer, the risk of transmission to elk is very real. Research and experience with elk and red deer in other countries suggests that, should TB become established in Michigan’s elk herd, it could spread more rapidly than it has in deer. Since May 1996, 2,483 elk have been tested for TB. Between 2000 and 2006, five elk tested positive for TB in Montmorency and Presque Isle Counties. No elk have tested positive since 2006. Because elk and deer normally avoid each other in the wild, evidence suggests these elk probably were infected from feeding at man-made feed sites or bait piles intended for deer. Testing of elk for TB and chronic wasting disease (CWD) is mandatory, and all successful hunters must turn in the head of their elk for testing. A total of 1,399 elk have been tested for CWD and all have been negative. For more information about TB in elk and for checking the bovine TB and CWD laboratory results of your harvested elk go to www.michigan.gov/bovinetb.

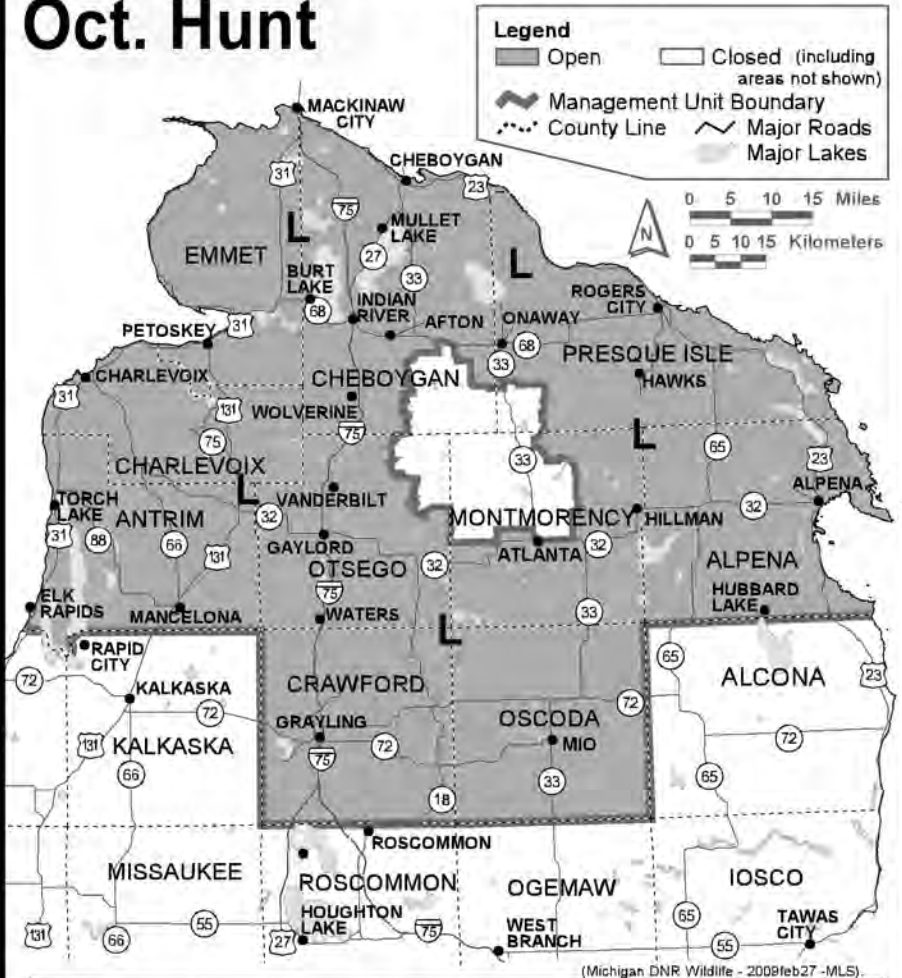
Support Sportsmen Against Hunger

The Department of Natural Resources and Environment encourages hunters to support the effort to provide processed wild game meat to local families in need. You can help in one of two simple ways. First, tell your license agent that you would like to make a cash donation when you purchase your hunting license. Second, consider donating a portion of your processed game (donations can be accepted only if the processing is done by a licensed processor). For more information, call (517) 853-3663 or go online to www.sportsmenagainsthunger.org.

Authorizing Commercial Hunting Guides on State Land

The DNRE has determined that commercial hunting guides using state-owned lands require department oversight. Authorizing guiding activities on state land will be done in stages. In 2010, all commercial hunting guides utilizing state-owned lands must apply for a free Use Permit to help determine the scope and intensity of guiding. Public meetings will be held in 2010 to gather stakeholder input on the guidelines to be applied in the future. If you are a guide that utilizes state-owned lands, please visit the DNRE website at www.michigan.gov/statelandpermission or call the nearest DNRE Operation Service Center.

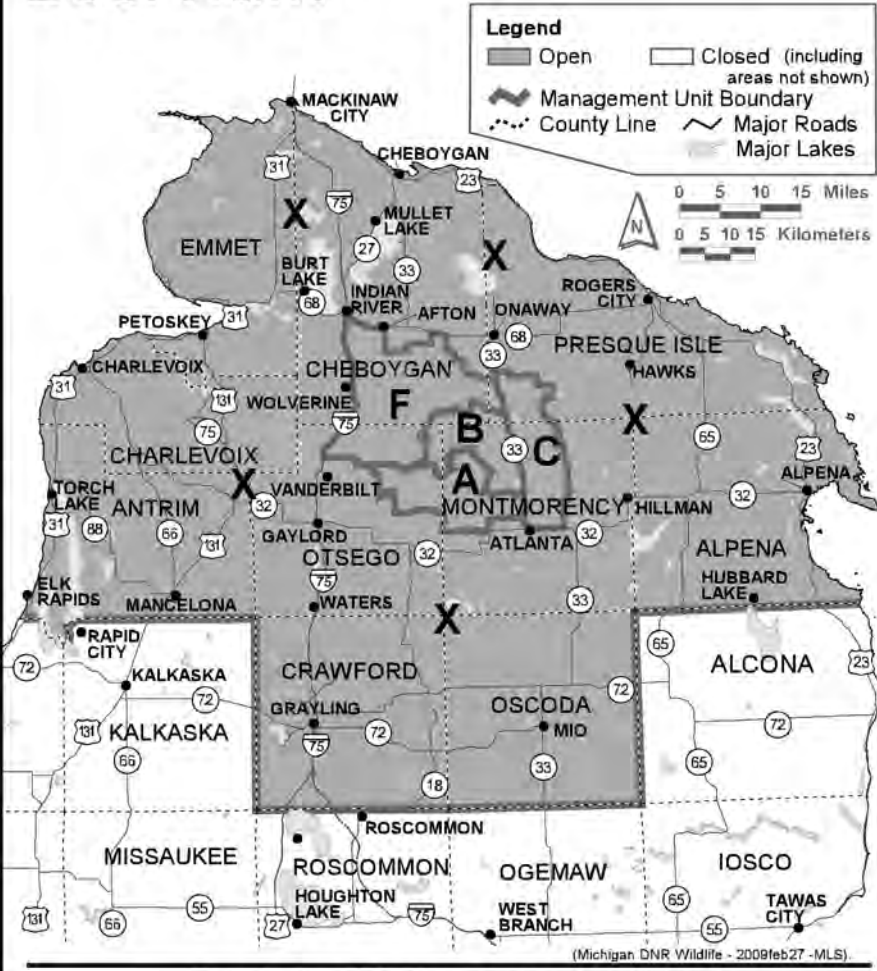
2010 Elk Management Units
Aug. /Sept. Hunt and
Oct. Hunt



Remainder of Michigan is closed to elk hunting.

For detailed descriptions of hunt unit boundaries, contact a DNRE Operations Service Center, or go to www.michigan.gov/hunting.

2010 Elk Management Units
Dec. Hunt



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